

Abstract of the Disclosure

The present invention provides a method for generating a request for information about a data store. The request codes a data store descriptor which is used to 5 characterize or identify a matching data store from a plurality of data stores. The re-transmitted information comprises retrieved information necessary for the requesting device or the applications executed thereon to access the identified data store, respectively. The present invention provides a method for generating a response in consequence on receiving a request for information about data store. The data store 10 descriptor coded in the request is used to characterize or identify a matching data store from a plurality of data stores and information about the data store is retrieved. This retrieved information coded in a response is transmitted to the previously requesting device enabling the requesting device or the applications executed thereon to access the identified data store, respectively.

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(Fig. 2 for publication)